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OUR THIRTIETH

SEMI-ANNUAL CLEARANCE SALE

In October we closed our Fifteenth year of business in Keytesville. We feel a pride in the business we have established, and in order to show our appreciation to our many friends and customers we have decided to make our 30th Semi-Annual Clearance Sale the Greatest Money-Saving event in our history. This Sale will begin on

...Saturday, January 8, 1910...

Continues Until February 5, 1910.

You all doubtless well know the great advance in prices that has taken place in the past few months in every line of merchandise. We were fortunate enough to foresee this advance in goods and bought accordingly and are now in a position to offer you a large stock of merchandise at less than present jobbers prices. WE CONDUCT OUR OWN SALE. We are not paying a sale agency a large commission to sell our goods. We believe we can serve you better ourselves, and also save you that extra 5 to 7 per cent which we would have to pay a sale agency for their services. Below we quote you only a few of the many bargains we are offering. Come and take your choice:

Shoes All \$5.00 shoes sale price \$4.00 " 4.00 " " " 3.15 " 3.50 " " " 2.90 " 3.00 " " " 2.50 " 2.50 " " " 2.10 " 2.00 " " " 1.75 " 1.50 " " " 1.25 All rubber shoes at reduced price.	" 1.00 " " " .79 " 75c " " " .59 " 50c " " " .39 50c all linen 36 in. wide sale price.....39c 25c white goods at.....18 20c " " ".....15 A large line of 20c and 25c suitings sale price 15c and 18c	Blankets-Blankets \$7.00 all wool 1 1-4 blankets sale price.....\$5.50 \$5.50 all wool 1 1-4 blankets sale price.....\$4.10 \$4.50 all wool 1 1-4 blankets sale price.....\$3.35 \$1.50 cotton blankets \$1.20 1.25 " " .98 1.00 " " .75 75c " " .60 50c " " .39	Hats-Caps All \$3.00 thoroughbred hats.....\$2.25 All \$2.50 thoroughbred hats.....\$1.90 All \$2.00 thoroughbred hats.....\$1.60 All \$1.50 thoroughbred hats.....\$1.20 All \$1.00 thoroughbred hats.....80c \$1.00 caps.....79c .75 " ".....60c .50 " ".....39c	Furnishing Goods All \$1.00 dress shirts .80 " 75c " " .59 " 50c " " .39 A large line of best work shirts.....39c \$1.00 overalls sale price .80 90c " " " .72 75c " " " .65 50c " " " .39 We also include all of our corsets, hosiery and underwear at lowest prices.
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This Sale is positively SPOT CASH. At the price we are making we can not afford to put anything on the books. During the sale we will give you 20 votes in the Piano Contest for every dollar paid us. Don't fail to ask for your coupons.

ALL CLOAKS AT LESS THAN MANUFACTURER'S COST.

Yours Truly,

BLAIR MILLER & COMPANY,

KEYTESVILLE, MISSOURI.

CHARITON COURIER

C. P. VANDIVER, EDITOR AND PROPRIETOR

KEYTESVILLE, MISSOURI

A Letter From Oklahoma.

KIND EDITOR: Enclosed find \$1 for your paper as our time is out, and we don't want to miss a copy. I sold out in Missouri and had my sale just three years ago to-day and left Missouri on the 29th of January and I can't say when I landed in Oklahoma I was satisfied. Oh, my! no. I thought, if I had my 120 acres back I wouldn't give it for the whole of Oklahoma, but I came with the intention of trying it anyway and can say to-day I am \$4,000 better off than when I left Missouri, but I will never go back on Missouri, no never. It is all right, but I think a poor man has a much better show here, as rent is only one-third, and you can rent all the land anyone wants. I am at present running four farms consisting of 160 acres, each. Two of them I own and two I rent. I guess there was as complete a failure in Oklahoma last year as there ever was, that is what they all tell me, those who have been here a long time, but I raised plenty to feed me and have quite a lot of stock and my wheat made nine bushels to the acre last year, so that wasn't so bad. I have in 230 acres of fine wheat this year and am plowing now for my spring crop and have 20 acres ready for corn. We have a fine market here for everything and we have as fine a town as I ever saw. Now, Mr. Editor, if you want to see a big trade day just come to Alva any nice day when the spring opens up and I'll bet you would think there was a circus in town. Everybody buys lots of goods and they all pay for what they buy. So you see we are progressing rapidly. If this don't hit the waste

basket you may hear from me again, especially when my subscription is due. I close wishing all in Missouri a bountiful crop this year. Yours Truly,
CHAS. A. FISHER,
Alva, Okla. R. F. D. No. 5

P. S.—I forgot to say the average yield of wheat is 25 to 30 bushels, only when there is such a drought as we had last season.

Threshermen's Meeting.

The threshermen of Chariton county met at the courthouse in Keytesville Saturday afternoon and organized by electing the following officers: J. T. Hall of Salisbury, president, and A. H. Renne of Forest Green, secretary.

The object of the organization is for the purpose of protecting the interests of farmers and threshermen alike, and also advocate better public roads and the building of bridges at points where they are badly needed.

The next meeting will be held at Salisbury next Saturday afternoon when other officers will be elected and steps taken to adopt a constitution and by-laws.

Those present at Saturday's meeting here were: J. T. Hall, Louis Steinbach and Al Johnson of Salisbury; John Baker of Prairie Hill; Wm. Kottman and A. C. Renne of Forest Green; E. H. Stoner, Sumner W. Robinson and Chris Feitz of Brunswick and C. H. Ashley of Keytesville and Thos. Horton, representing the firm of Rice & Horton of Keytesville.

Mules for Sale.

Nine head coming 3-year-olds, height from 14.3 to 16 hands. Call and see or write for special description.

G. W. HARLAN,
Musselfork, Mo.

ITCH cured in 30 minutes by Woolford's Sanitary Lotion. Never fails. Sold by W. C. Gaston, Druggist.

In Memoriam.

Tuesday, January 25, 1910, at his old home, eight miles north of Keytesville, Peter Smith departed this life and ushered into the great unknown. His death was due to diseases incident to old age. He had been in failing health for a number of years, but at no time was he confined to his room. Only the day before his death he was up and around as usual.

He bore his suffering with patience and was willing and anxious for the time when he could meet his beloved wife, who preceded him to the other world 32 years ago. He loved his children with all the strength of his nature, and divided his estate among them equally. When he felt that God had called him, he said: "Children, do the best you can; we must all die." He then fell asleep in Jesus, and it was like the slumber of an infant, so gentle was the passing.

Deceased was noted for his generosity. To the poor he always gave a helping hand; this was part of his religion, to help those in need. He had a wide circle of friends who will mourn his death, and join in sympathy for the bereaved family. The bereavement is great to those who are near and dear to him, and time alone can heal the broken hearts. Among the venerable and worthy citizens of Chariton county, few, if any, have been longer identified with its history.

Peter Smith was born in Germany April 8, 1835, and at the time of his death was 74 years, 9 months and 17 days of age. He was the son of John and Catherine (Loche) Smith, and came to America with his father when 4 years old. The family first settled, near Glasgow, Howard county, where they lived three years, thence to the Forks of Chariton. In 1857 he moved, with his widowed mother, to the

farm where he spent the remainder of his life. At an early age he adopted farming and stock-raising as his occupation with most gratifying success. A man with the strongest and best qualities of mind and heart, he has led a singularly industrious life. Having acquired by honest industry an ample competence of this world's good, in the serenity of an honored old age he enjoyed the fruits of his toil without a single upbraiding of conscience and with the perfect good wishes of all who knew him.

The 26th of December, 1858, he was married to Miss Ellen Owen, daughter of William and Julia (Keitz) Owen, originally of Pennsylvania. To this union five children were born. Mary E., Emma F., J. Hudson, William G. and Elizabeth C., all of whom survive him except Emma F., who died in infancy. Mr. Smith is survived by one sister and two brothers, Mrs. H. O. Grubbs of Newhall, and Mathias Smith of Marcelline and Anthony Smith of Boonville.

He has gone. The white crown of age was upon his brow. Peacefully the last hours came, peacefully his eyes closed in slumber. He saw the morning, the noonday and the evening of life. He saw the harvest ere he took the hand of death. Having passed the day, he went to meet the night with hope and courage. He feared not the unknown journey, but walked with royal steps to the sepulchre of the mighty to greet the stars with lofty brow beyond the sunset sea of gold.

Funeral services were held at St. Joseph's Catholic church Thursday, after which the remains were borne to Mt. Pleasant cemetery and laid to rest beside those of his beloved wife. We place upon thy last resting place the flowers of hope and sympathy. The light of remembrance is on

thy grave, and dissipates its gloom. Farewell! Thy body mingles with the dust. It vanishes in the blue dome, but on the measureless stream of time. That which makes the world nobler, happier, sweeter, shall keep the deathless record of thy life.

A FRIEND.

Bargains in Farms.

I have the following for sale on best of terms: 60 acres, 50 in cultivation, 4-room dwelling, fine, large stock shed, two stables good water, out-buildings, small orchard.

Forty acres, 30 cultivated, stable, 3 room dwelling, young orchard.

Eighty acres, all cultivated, 6-room dwelling and old barn, all high land, and on public road, within six miles of county seat. Close to school and church and country stores. Worth the price asked.
E. B. KELLOGG,
Keytesville, Mo.

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W. C. GASTON, DRUGGIST.

Final Settlement Notice.
Creditors and all others interested in the estate of E. W. Price, deceased, are hereby notified that at the next regular term of the Chariton County, Mo. Probate Court, to be begun and held on the second Monday in February, 1910, at the courthouse in Keytesville, in said County, I shall make final settlement of said estate.
A. B. PRICE, Executor.

FINAL SETTLEMENT NOTICE.
Creditors and all others interested in the estate of Sam'l J. Spence, deceased, are hereby notified that at the next regular term of the Chariton County, Mo. Probate Court, to be begun and held on the second Monday in February, 1910, at the courthouse in Keytesville, in said County, I shall make final settlement of said estate.
GEO. T. JOHNSON, Administrator.

FINAL SETTLEMENT NOTICE.
Creditors and all others interested in the estate of John Smith, deceased, are hereby notified that at the next regular term of the Chariton County, Missouri, Probate Court, to be begun and held on the second Monday in February, 1910, at the courthouse in Keytesville, in said County, we shall make final settlement of said estate.
LUCINDA SMITH, Executrix.

Final Settlement Notice.
Creditors and all others interested in the estate of Henry Meyer, deceased, are hereby notified that at the next regular term of the Chariton County, Missouri, Probate Court, to be begun and held on the second Monday in February, 1910, at the courthouse in Keytesville, in said County, we shall make final settlement of said estate.
JOHN H. MEYER,
CHARLES F. MEYER,
Executors.

Farm for Sale.

As I wish to go West, my farm of 40 acres, 2 1-4 miles southwest of Dalton, is for sale. This is a very desirable piece of property. I also have 40 acres, adjoining the famous Cut-off hunting and fishing grounds, for sale. For further particulars, call on or address.

C. F. MUNSON,
R. F. D. No. 2, Dalton, Mo.

Notice.

If you are indebted to us on account we respectfully and earnestly request that you please call and settle. We need the money that is due us, and your compliance with this request for payment will be greatly appreciated. Thanking you for past patronage, and hoping that the new year has many good things in store for you and yours, we are,

Yours respectfully,
C. S. PATNOTT & Co.

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